

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

The USF is an illegal tax imposed by the FCC. The FCC does not have the authority to impose a tax like this, only congress can legally impose a tax of this kind. If we must have the USF it should be financed by some other method.

If the USF is going to remain in effect the fee should be based on the long distance volume of calls a customer makes. A person who makes no long distance calls at all should not have to pay this fee. A flat fee structure is obviously biased and unfair. Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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